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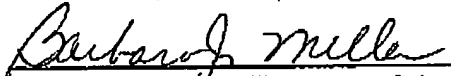
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(Name of Person mailing paper or fee)RESUBMISSION OF REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)

Dear Sir:

Applicants have been advised by telephone (Examiner Lauren Wells) that the RCE papers that were sent by express mail to the USPTO on October 31, 2003, are not currently associated with the file for the above-identified patent application. Examiner Wells requested that the RCE papers be resubmitted so that they can be considered.

Attached to the present paper are copies of all of the documents that were sent to the USPTO by express mail on October 31, 2003. These documents were a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) Transmittal; a Petition for Extension of Time (four months); a Fee Transmittal Form; a check for \$3,156.00 and an Amendment.

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Also attached to this paper is a copy of the return postcard for the aforementioned RCE papers showing that the papers were received by the USPTO on October 31, 2003, and a copy of the canceled check that was attached to the aforementioned RCE papers, showing that the check was cashed by the USPTO on November 5, 2003.

In view of the foregoing and the attached evidence, it is respectfully requested that the USPTO enter the attached papers into the record for the above-identified patent application and consider the attached papers as being filed with the USPTO on the date that they were originally received by the USPTO, that is October 31, 2003.

Should the patent office or the Examiner have any questions concerning this paper, the office is invited to telephone the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,  
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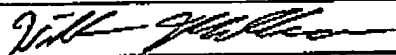
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| <b>Request<br/>For<br/>Continued Examination (RCE)<br/>Transmittal</b><br><br>Address to:<br>MS RCE<br>Commissioner for Patents<br>P.O. Box 1450<br>Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 | <b>Application Number</b>   | 09/921,947-Conf. #8375 |
|   | <b>Filing Date</b>          | August 3, 2001         |
|   | <b>First Named Inventor</b> | Michel A. Crepeau      |
|   | <b>Art Unit</b>             | 1617                   |
|   | <b>Examiner Name</b>        | L. Wells               |
|   | <b>Attorney Docket No.</b>  | 10892-00018-US         |

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application. Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application.

1. **Submission required under 37 CFR 1.114** Note: If the RCE is proper, any previously filed unentered amendments and amendments enclosed with the RCE will be entered in the order in which they were filed unless applicant instructs otherwise. If applicant does not wish to have any previously filed unentered amendment(s) entered, applicant must request non-entry of such amendment(s).
- a. ☐ Previously submitted. If a final Office action is outstanding, any amendments filed after the final Office action may be considered as a submission even if this box is not checked.
- i. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_
- ii. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_
- b. ☒ Enclosed
- i. ☒ Amendment/Reply
- ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
- iv. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_
2. **Miscellaneous**
- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR 1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 CFR 1.17(i) required)
- b. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_
3. **Fees** The RCE fee under 37 CFR 1.17(e) is required by 37 CFR 1.114 when the RCE is filed.
- a. ☐ The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. \_\_\_\_\_
- i. ☒ RCE fee required under 37 CFR 1.17(e)
- ii. ☒ Extension of time fee (37 CFR 1.136 and 1.17)
- iii. ☒ Other Fees for extra claims over 20 and independent claims in excess of 3 (\$906.00)
- b. ☒ Check in the amount of \$ 3,156.00 enclosed
- c. ☐ Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed)

| SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT REQUIRED |   |                                   |                  |
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| Name (Print/Type)                                   | William E. McShane  | Registration No. (Attorney/Agent) | 32,707           |
| Signature   |  | Date                              | October 31, 2003 |

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